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First Named Inventor	ATSUTERU OIKAWA ET AL.
Examiner Name	Patrick H. Mackey
Art Unit	3651
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. 1.27**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** (\$)**120.00****METHOD OF PAYMENT** (check all that apply)

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	<u>Small Entity</u> Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	<u>Small Entity</u> Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	<u>Small Entity</u> Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	<u>Small Entity</u> Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
5	- 20 or HP = 0	x 0 = 0				
HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20						
					0	0

Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: Patrick H. Mackey
ATSUTERU OIKAWA ET AL.	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 3651
Application No.: 10/784,954	)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 8444
Filed: February 25, 2004	)	
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For: SHEET DISCHARGING APPARATUS,	)	February 23, 2006
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AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS	)	
USING THE SHEET DISCHARGING	:	
APPARATUS	)	

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION,  
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
AND STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request permission to extend the time for responding to  
the outstanding Official Action dated November 10, 2005, for one (1) month, from February 10,

2006, up to and including March 10, 2006. A check in the amount of \$120.00 for the extension fee is enclosed.

In response to the Office Action mailed November 10, 2005, Applicants submit the following remarks.